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SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...ten pounds and you have a twenty pound object you want to move, obviously it is going to take more energy to move that heavier object the same distance at the same rate of speed. Well, now if you have a tractor pulling a short truck and you are going to use the tractor to pull a long truck and the long truck is longer, it would probably take a longer amount of time to get up enough momentum to cover the distance that it would take you to move the short vehicle. Senator Hefner says, not so. I guess if we are dealing with objects rather than trucks, then principles are one thing, but when the object becomes a truck it is something else. But I would defy him or anybody else to get one of these triple trailers moving at 30 miles an hour and my Honda is moving beside him and his truck going at 30 miles an hour will stop in a shorter distance than my Honda. I don't believe that and if he expects us to believe it and he, himself, believes it, it means he knows nothing about truck driving, it means Senator Beyer knows nothing about truck driving and they are trying to make appeals to things other than facts to try to intimidate us into accepting their position.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time is up.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The welfare of the public is at stake and we should keep these killer trucks off the highway, Senator Hefner.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to...28 ayes, 0 nays to cease